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SITUATION REPORT

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FILE NAME: Project HENDON

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Event: Freedom Convoy/Bearhug 2.0

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INFORMATION

The information in this report is current to 2022-01-22 at 0830 hours.

- The GO FUND ME supporting this event has raised \$1.29 million (2022-01-22 0830). These funds will be partly used to pay for fuel through FEDERATED CO-OP at a discounted price.
- A separate fundraiser ("ADOPT A TRUCKER") has been created on the Christian crowdfunding site "GiveSendGo.com". Funds raised to date amount to \$8,796 and will be used food, accommodations, generators, showers, shuttle services, security and other logistical support.
- Some organizers intend the event to remain lawful; some are advocating civil disobedience.
- An image posted by user "Stu" on the CANADA UNITY page depicts the Prime Minister apparently being run down by a tractor trailer bearing a stylized slogan "FUCK YOU TRUDEAU" and flames behind it.
- Some online comments indicate an intent to attend the residence of the Prime Minister in Ottawa.
- An individual identifying himself as a truck driver posted a photo on social media of transport trucks in line at an unidentified border point entering Canada indicating that drivers are sticking together and not letting cars pass.
- Organizers have stated that they do not know how many people will participate in this event. One has estimated up to 1000 trucks from western Canada with more joining on route to Ottawa.
- Live feeds of the departure from western Canada may be posted online on 2022-01-24 at 0545 hours.
- An organizer has stated that supporters outside of the trucking industry will be joining the Freedom Convoy along the route in private vehicles.
- Convoys in support of WORLD WIDE FREEDOM DAY 6 are beginning on 2022-01-22 in East Region (Starting points Odessa and Pembroke).
- On 2022-01-21, the Facebook page FREEDOM-CONVOY-2022 was closed and supporters were redirected to a Telegram channel. One organizer has attributed this to technical issues with the Facebook page.
- An online comment indicates that 1500 trucks will stay in Kingston overnight on 2022-01-27.

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ASSESSMENT

It is almost certain that the Freedom Convoy will disrupt the flow of traffic and goods along Canadian roadways and at border points. It is possible that local supporters may disrupt traffic in their communities. Further, while most information from organizers indicates the intent for the event to be lawful, online rhetoric indicates that some participants or supporters may be considering aggressive or unlawful tactics. Some are specifically targeting the Prime Minister: the noted image on the CANADA UNITY page could be interpreted as a threat against the Prime Minister.

TACTICAL CONSIDERATIONS

- It is unclear if the closing of the convoy Facebook page is an attempt at insulation from law enforcement.
- All communication from national organizers will be delivered through Road Captains who are to establish communication networks within their own groups. FREEDOM CONVOY participants have been advised to download the “ZELLO” app, allowing for communications via cell phone mimicking two-way radio.
- Delivery of fuel through Federated Co-Op has been arranged for Regina and Winnipeg; refueling will occur roadside via slow-roll pit stop. Estimated costs are between \$170,000 and \$250,000 per refueling stop, paid directly from the Go Fund Me page.
- Organizers in Ottawa are referred to as the “War Room”.
- Port-a-potties, fencing, and security has been arranged for Ottawa.
- National organizer from Alberta will be travelling with a command post, media and security detail.
- Organizers have been liaising with law enforcement in Regina, Saskatchewan (RCMP); Winnipeg, Manitoba, and OPP in Ontario.
- One organizer has claimed that 1 million individuals and 10,000 trucks will attend Ottawa;
- One social media influencer alleges that 36,000 trucks will attend Ottawa.
- Convoys are to depart BC on 2022-01-22 and Alberta on 2022-01-23.

INTELLIGENCE GAPS (COLLECTION REQUIREMENTS)

- Participant numbers: online indicators are unreliable;
- Potential for some participants to bring weapons or be armed;
- Lodging for participants in Sault Ste. Marie (2022-01-27);
- Lodging for participants in Kingston (2022-01-27; possibly 2022-01-28);
- Nature and location of evening event in Kingston (2022-01-27)

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- Nature of activities in Ottawa by advance convoy participants (2022-01-28 - 2022-01-29);
- Nature and location(s) of “recon mission” in Ottawa by advance convoy participants;
- Date and location of delivery of port-a-potties and security fencing; location of installation of same;
- Lodging and meals in Ottawa if participants remain for a prolonged period of time;
- Plan for any further action should demands not be met;
- Plans for departing Ottawa.

EVENT SCHEDULE

2022-01-22

- **Ottawa:** World Wide Rally for Freedom 6.0 – convoys will be departing from Odessa and Pembroke, OPP are engaged with organizers.
- **Kapuskasing: Freedom Convoy Solidarity Demonstration** – Kapuskasing Train Station (1100-1900 hours) in support of the truck drivers. Participant numbers unknown. OPP is engaged.
- **Whitby:** World Wide Rally for Freedom 6.0 – 605 Rossland Road East (1200-1500 hours).
- **Sudbury: First Greater Sudbury and Area Convoy for Rights and Freedoms** – 172 Pine Street, staging at parking lot starting at noon. GSPS is aware of event.

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- **Kapuskasing: Freedom Convoy Solidarity Demonstration** – Kapuskasing Train Station (1200-1500 hours) in support of truck drivers. Participants attending in vehicles: organizers indicate plans to block one lane of traffic on the road in front of the train station and are expecting supporters from Cochrane, Timmins and Hearst. Number of participants unknown.
- **Muskoka – Huntsville:** Freedom Convoy Slow Roll – Huntsville Place Mall (1200 hours) to Gravenhurst and back
- **Belleville: Freedom Convoy Solidarity Slow Roll, 10 Acres Truck Stop on Wallbridge** (1100-1300 hours).
 - Route start and finish are same location - route as follows:
 - South on Wallbridge-Loyalist Road,
 - East on Hwy 2 (Dundas),
 - North onto Pinnacle Street and onto North Front Street (by 1200 hours),
 - West onto Bell Blvd return to the 10 Acres Truck Stop.
 - At least one confirmed participant (organizer)
 - Travel at speeds 10 and 15km/hr
 - Organizer has contacted the Belleville Police Service.
 - The convoy will be in OPP jurisdiction travelling down Wallbridge Loyalist Road and then a portion of the west end of Bell Blvd.

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- **Toronto** – Freedom Convoy Solidarity Slow Roll – Jurassic Park at Scotiabank Arena (1130 hours). This event coincides with other local actions and could affect traffic on the Lakeshore, Gardiner Expressway, Don Valley Parkway, and other main roadways in surrounding areas. The Toronto Police Service is engaged.

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